## Arizona State Parks Board October 20, 2010



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#### **BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

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## Director Summary of Current Events

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Celebrating the Release of the new U.S. Mint Quarter at the Grand Canyon National Park - September 21, 2010



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#### Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park – Sept. 18 and 25 Stabilization of Kiva at Homolovi II





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#### Fort Verde State Historic Park

Tom Sawyer Day September 25, 2010 National Public Lands Day



Fort Verde Days October 9 – 10, 2010



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TONTO NATURAL BRIDGE STATE PARK – October 2, 2010

New Stinkbug Discovered!





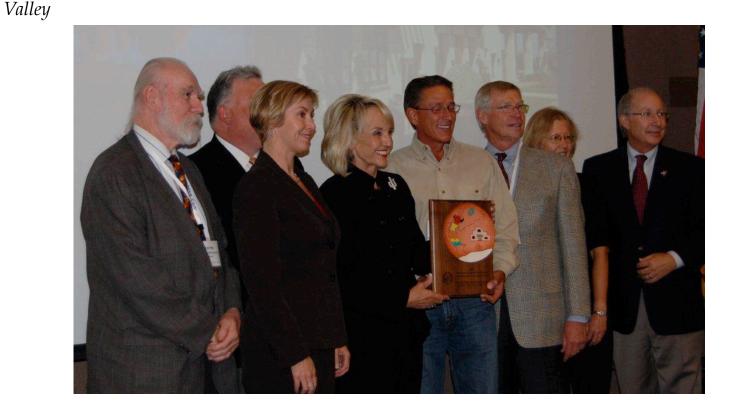
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Grand Opening at Jerome State Historic Park October 14, 2010



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Governor's 2010 Excellence in Economic Development Award Arizona Lottery Cultural and Preservation project -- The Verde Valley/State Parks Partnership - Partnering to Preserve Arizona's Crown Jewels Yavapai County, Arizona State Parks, Town of Camp Verde, City of Sedona, Camp Verde Historical Society, Benefactors of Red Rock State Park, Jerome Historic Society and Concerned Citizens of the Verde

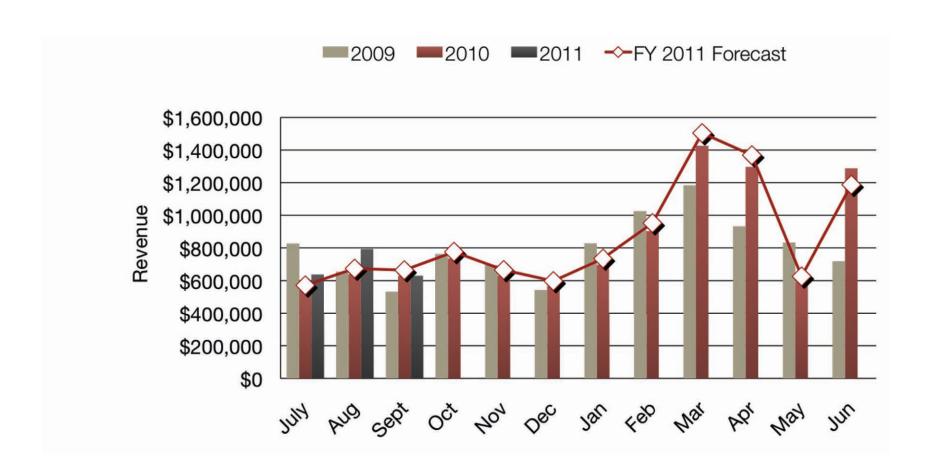


Revenue Forecast – Update by Major Fund

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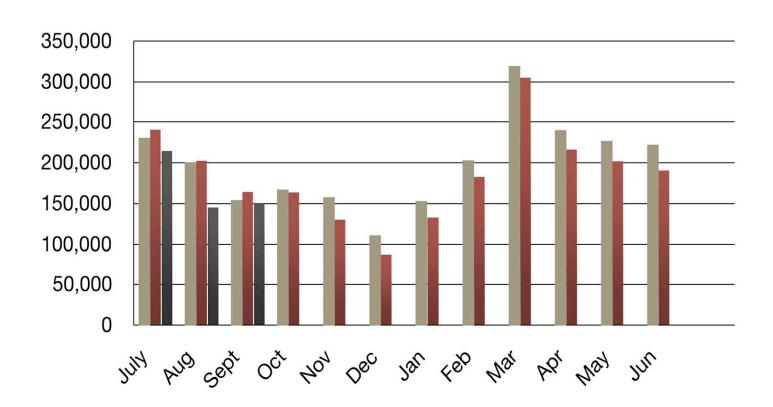
- State Parks Revenue
- State Parks Attendance
- State Lake Improvement Fund
- Off-Highway Vehicle Fund
- Interest Earnings

#### Enhancement Fund FY 2009-FY 2011 Revenue

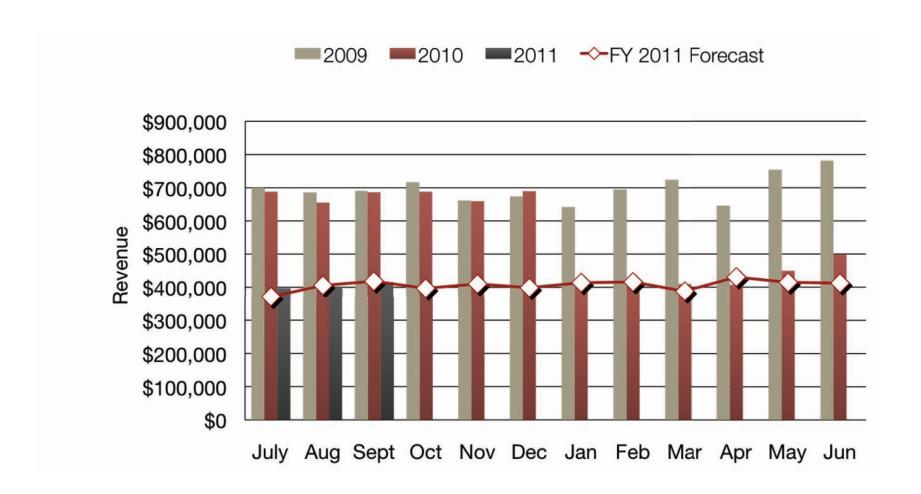


#### FY 2009-FY 2011 Park System Attendance

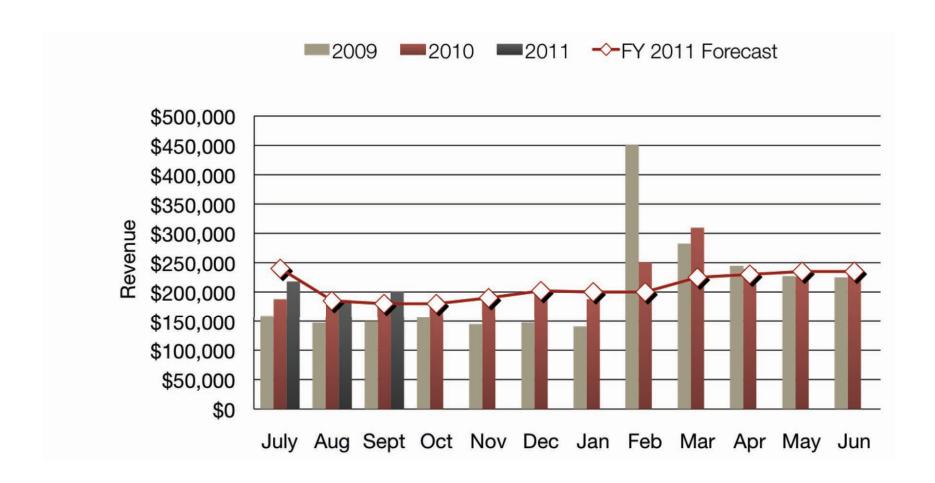




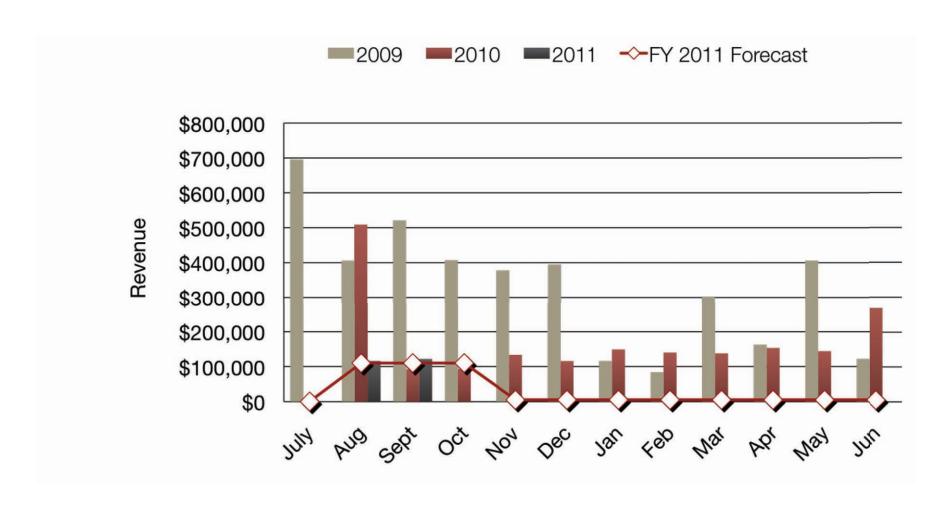
## State Lake Improvement Fund FY 2009-FY 2011 Revenue



## Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Fund FY 2009-FY 2011 Revenue



## All Funds Interest Earnings FY 2009-FY 2011 Revenue



## Sustainable Funding Strategies

F.3.

Governor's Sustainable Task Force

July 8, 2010

Arizona State Parks Sustainability Committee

August 19, 2010

## Arizona State Parks Operations

F.4.

## Operations Status Update

## Parks Open to Public (Never Scheduled to Close)

- Buckskin Mountain State Park
- Catalina State Park
- Cattail Cove State Park
- Dead Horse Ranch State Park
- Fool Hollow Lake State Park
- Kartchner Caverns State Park
- Lake Havasu State Park
- Patagonia Lake State Park
- Slide Rock State Park

# Parks Operated by Arizona State Parks Staff through Partnership Support

- Alamo Lake State Park
- Fort Verde State Historic Park
- Jerome State Historic Park
- Lost Dutchman State Park
- Picacho Peak State Park
- Red Rock State Park
- Riordan Mansion State Historic Park
- Roper Lake State Park
- Tonto Natural Bridge State Park

## Parks Operated by Partners Without Arizona State Parks Staff

- Boyce Thompson Arboretum State Park
- Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park
- Tubac Presidio State Historic Park
- Yuma Prison State Historic Park
- Yuma Quartermaster Depot State Historic Park

#### Parks Closed to the Public

- Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park
- Lyman Lake State Park
- McFarland State Historic Park
- Oracle State Park
- San Rafael State Natural Area

#### Update - RFP for Operation of Oracle State Park F.5.

- Oracle Request for Proposals was issued August 19.
- Responses due September 23. Extension granted to October 6.
- No bids were submitted by October 6. Cancelled RFP.
- Staff will continue to seek opportunities to work with public and private partners to re-open this park.

#### **BOARD ACTION ITEM**

G.1.

### Consider Endorsing Agreement with Hopi Tribe for Operation of Homolovi Ruins State Historic Park

#### Major Components:

- Park would open and be operated by State Parks for 12 months
- Option to renew for 2 additional one-year periods
- Tribe will provide \$175,000 to subsidize the park operations. ASP will retain fees.
- •Quarterly reviews of operations between Arizona State Parks and the Hopi Tribe.

#### **BOARD ACTION ITEM**

G.2.

Consider Funding High Priority Off-Highway Vehicle Projects

- \$150,000 Federal Recreation Funds to Mohave County
- \$294,456 OHV Recreation Fund to Apache Sitgreaves National Forest, BLM – Hassayampa Field Office, Coconino National Forest, Tonto National Forest

#### **BOARD ACTION ITEM**

G.3.

Consider responding to the COPE report on Privatization and Efficiency

- 1. Enhance privatization where services enhance visitor experience.
- 2. Issues remain regarding legal, economic, and conservation for whole park concessions.

### Arizona State Parks Draft Strategic Plan

G.4.

October 20, 2010

MISSION: Managing and conserving Arizona's natural, cultural and recreational resources for the benefit of the people, both in our Parks and through our Partners

**VISION:** Arizona State Parks is indispensable to the Economies, Communities and Environments of Arizona

- GOAL 1. To provide sustainable management of our natural, cultural, recreational, economic and human resources.
- GOAL 2. To provide safe, meaningful and unique experiences for our visitors, volunteers and citizens.
- GOAL 3. To document our progress through planning, analysis and research.
- GOAL 4. To build lasting partnerships to promote local economies, good neighbors, recreation, conservation, tourism and establish sustainable funding for the agency.
- GOAL 5. To effectively communicate with the public, policy makers, our partners, our peers and ourselves.

- GOAL 1. To provide sustainable management of our natural, cultural, recreational, economic and human resources.
- Objective A. By keeping all parks economically viable and open to the public.
- Objective B. By standardizing and upgrading the information technology infrastructure
- Objective C. By efficiently processing grants, projects, paperwork and documents through the agency.
- Objective D. By increasing each staff member's knowledge, skills and abilities through training opportunities.
- Objective E. By providing agency staff with a stimulating, safe, and challenging work environment.

GOAL 2. To provide safe, meaningful and unique experiences for our visitors, volunteers and citizens.

Objective A. By working with agency personnel to implement and update the master list of economically feasible facility upgrades that improve the visitor experience and increase revenue.

Objective B. By working with agency personnel to market events and improve the overall quality of existing events.

Objective C. By striving to operate the visitor interface component of the Park System with a "cost neutral" budget where visitor revenue equals or exceeds direct visitor costs.

GOAL 3. To document our progress through planning, analysis and research.

Objective A. By collecting scientific and historical data on natural and cultural resources to better inform decision-making.

Objective B. By updating the long-term Capital Improvement Plan.

Objective C. By continuing to provide accurate, timely, and targeted agency reports on program management and analysis for internal and external use.

Objective D. By continuing to implement the Revised State Historic Preservation Plan

- GOAL 4. To build lasting partnerships to promote local economies, good neighbors, recreation, conservation, tourism and establish sustainable funding for the agency.
- Objective A. By continuing and expanding collaboration with federal, tribal, state, and local governments, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), concessionaires and private sector individuals whose objectives or duties are similar to State Parks.
- Objective B. By implementing a community relations plan that addresses each park's unique location, program audience, and adjacent and thematic communities.
- Objective C. By continuing partnership training on agency programs, planning and activities.
- Objective D. By working with Stakeholders to create and promote a strategy for sustainable agency funding.

GOAL 5. To effectively communicate with the public,

policymakers, our partners, our peers and ourselves.

Objective A. By implementing a new marketing plan.

Objective B. By implementing a new public relations plan.

Objective C. By exploring ideas to improve agency

internal communications including electronic

posting of information.

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